



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **Confirmation No. 2003**
Herve MICHAUD et al. : Attorney Docket No. 2003_1732A
Serial No. 10/724,637 : Group Art Unit 1742
Filed December 2, 2003 : Examiner Deborah Yee

A METHOD OF FABRICATING A STEEL : **Mail Stop: AF**
FORGING, AND A FORGING OBTAINED
THEREBY

RESPONSE UNDER 37. CFR 1.116

EXPEDITED PROCEDURE

NOTICE OF APPEAL

EXAMINING GROUP 1742

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Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision dated January 3, 2006 of the Primary Examiner finally rejecting claims 1-18.

- (X) A timely response to the final rejection has been filed.
- (X) The extension fee of \$1020.00 for a three month extension of time is submitted with the attached Petition for Extension of Time.
- (X) The Appeal Fee of ☒ \$500.00 (other than Small Entity)
☐ \$250.00 (Small Entity)
- (X) is enclosed
☐ is to be charged to Deposit Account No. 23-0975. The original and two copies of this sheet are enclosed.
- ☐ Small entity status of this application is established by the verified statement under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 which ☐ is enclosed.

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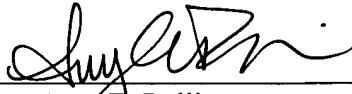
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() has been previously submitted.

() The Appeal Fee is not required since it was paid in a prior appeal.

Respectfully submitted,

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